

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 1 of the present specification as follows:

As shown in Fig. 7, the first gear 736 may engage a second gear 742. The first and second gears 736 and 742 may engage one another with a frictional fit or with gear teeth (not shown). The second gear 742 also engages and drives a tamping tube driver, for example a flexible rack 744 that is disposed between the second gear 742 and roller guide 746. The flexible rack 744 may be referred to as a tamping member. At least a portion of the flexible rack 744 at least partially wraps around at least one of the first and second gears 736, 742. When the spool 732 rotates, the flexible rack 744 drives the tamping tube 505, which in turn drives the sealing plug 510 (Fig. 6). Alternatively, the flexible rack 744 may act as a tamping tube itself and therefore become the “tamping tube 505.”